GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5150
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REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENDITURE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways do not reimburse the expenditure incurred on posts created by the Government of Maharashtra for the purpose of railways;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of amount pending with the Government on this account; and

(d) the objections raised by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINSITRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) The reimbursement of expenditure is admissible to State Governments for creating posts of Government Railway Police subject to prior approval of the newly created posts by the Railway Administration. In this case State Government of Maharashtra did not seek prior approval of the Railway Administration for creating posts.

(b) Now State Government of Maharashtra has sought Railway Board's post facto sanction for originally created posts for which post facto sanction has been accorded with the condition that arrears may be released after Board's approval which is under process.

(c) A claim for re-imbursement to the State of Maharashtra amounting to Rs.52.34 crore is outstanding.

(d) Although Railways have standing instructions to pay all clearly admissible bills, the outstanding is mainly on account of excess operation of posts by State Government without the approval of Railways Administration and non-submission of Accountant General Certificate by State Authorities.